



SEE Programme 2007 – 2013

South East Europe Transnational Cooperation Programme

BIOREGIO Carpathians in the context of the SEE Programme

Jointly for our common future

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The SEE Programme: ID CARD



Full name South East Europe Transnational Cooperation

Programme 2007 – 2013

Family EU Regional Policy

Strand *Transnational*

Total budget 267 MEUR (indicative)

Current portfolio 122 projects

Average project size 1.6 MEUR

Average partnership 15 partners (LP principle)

size

Type of activities "soft actions" (development of joint services,

setting up of joint standards -> NO infrastructures/

investments)



The SEE Programme's strategy



Global objective

Specific objectives

Priority Axes

Improvement of the territorial, economic and social integration process and contribution to cohesion, stability and competitiveness through the development of transnational partnerships and joint actions on matters of strategic importance

Facilitation of innovation, entrepreneurship, knowledge economy and information society by concrete cooperation action and visible results

Improvement of the attractiveness of regions and cities taking into account sustainable development, physical and knowledge accessibility and environmental quality by integrated approaches and concrete cooperation action and visible results

Foster integration by supporting balanced capacities for transnational territorial cooperation at all levels

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P2: Protection and improvement of the **environment**

P3: Improvement of the accessibility

P4: Development of transnational synergies for **sustainable growth areas**

P5: **Technical assistance** to support implementation and capacity building



Promotion of sustainable development

Promotion of equal opportunities and non discrimination

application of EU principles



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Projects





























The SEE Programme budget



Description	ERDF	IPA
1. Innovation	44,051,157	3,366,922
2. Environment	56,739,828	4,336,743
3. Accessibility	43,160,834	3,298,872
4. Sustainable Growth Areas	50,338,329	3,847,463
	194,290,148	14,850,850

ENPI available 1.800.000!



Priority 2



Priority Axis 2:
Protection and
Improvement of the
Environment

Objective is to override the constraints imposed by natural barriers, to foresee future environmental threats and opportunities and to develop common transnational actions for the protection of nature and humans

2.1. Improve integrated water management and flood risk prevention	Development of transnational structures and tools for an integrated management of water and flood risk prevention
2.2. Improve prevention of environmental and technological risks	Transnational structures and systems/tools for environmental risk protection, and policy development to reduce risks and impacts on human health, biodiversity and other environmental issues
2.3. Promote cooperation in management of natural assets and protected areas	Cooperation and know-how transfer in managing natural assets and transnational awareness building on natural assets as development factor
 2.4. Promote energy and resource efficiency	Coordination and transfer of know-how on energy and resource efficiency policies, to cover the expected rise in energy demand and resources consumption



Nature protection and SEE



- SEE area characterised by rich biodiversity
- Large number of pristine landscapes, mountain areas and natural protected areas
- Large number of rivers as an environmental assets

but

- Inadequate management and lack of preservation enhancement of natural assets
- Lack of cooperation between decision makers
- Diverging and conflicting international/national/regional interests



Nature protection and SEE



 The SEE area has varied and valuable ecosystems that follow the geography of a varied territory:

Apennines Carpathians Dinaric Arc Part of the Alps
... and many more
Adriatic/Ionian coasts Danube basin and delta Great Plains

- A good number of natural assets are protected
- Protected areas brought negative effects for the local population from an economic point of view
- Many other natural assets are exposed to unwise use and management



Aol 2.3



This AoI focused its action in the management of natural assets AND in considering such assets as development factor for the involved areas.

Purpose:

- Cooperation and know-how transfer in managing natural assets
- Support transnational awareness building on importance of natural assets as development factor



BIOREGIO and AoI 2.3



Objective:

Enhancing the integrated management of the Carpathians' protected areas and natural assets and increase the attractiveness of the region, by elaborating common integrated management measures in particular transboundary areas.



Future perspectives



SEE Programme will cease to exist and two new Programmes from 2014 will be created:

South East Gateway Programme

Austria Albania

Bulgaria (?) Bosnia Herzegovina

Croatia fYR Macedonia

Cyprus Montenegro

Greece Serbia

Hungary (?)

Italy

Malta

Romania (?)

Slovenia

Danube Programme

Austria Bosnia Herzegovina

Bulgaria Republic of Moldova

Czech Republic Montenegro

Croatia Serbia

Germany Ukraine

Hungary

Romania

Slovenia



Future perspectives



- Carpathians covered in the Danube Programme
- Thematic Objectives (TO) not approved (selected) yet
- 11 TO among which 4 can be selected.
- 3 TO are related to environment
 - TO4 on low carbon economy
 - TO5 on climate change adaptation
 - TO6 on water, waste, biodiversity, pollution, etc...



Future perspectives



Thematic objective 6:

- addressing the significant needs for investment in the waste sector to meet the requirements of the environmental acquis
- addressing the significant needs for investment in the water sector to meet the requirements of the environmental acquis
- protecting, promoting and developing cultural heritage
- protecting biodiversity, soil protection and promoting ecosystem services including NATURA 2000 and green infrastructures
- action to improve the urban environment, including regeneration of brownfield sites and reduction of air pollution





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